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FOR MATLOCK FROM GARRISON

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OGEN

SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

1. TRAVEL AGENCY'S REFERENCE NUMBER FOR GREENE AND PEPPERELL IS 1-8891-US-20/8EV. VOUCHER NUMBERS ARE 2877 AND 2997. THEY HAVE NOT BEEN TOLD NAME OF HOTEL.
2. EKELCHIK PETITION HAS BEEN FILED. WE ARE WAITING TO SEE IF INS APPROVES IT.
3. PLEASE SEND US TWO COPIES OF THE LITGAZ ARTICLE ON SHADRIN TO MEET CONSIDERABLE INTEREST HERE.
4. NATIONAL COUNCIL ON SOVIET JEWRY INQUIRED TODAY CONCERNING CHIEF JUSTICE'S VISIT. IN LIGHT OF THIS PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE OF THE VISIT, DEPT. HAS REQUESTED SUPREME COURT, IN CO-ORDINATION WITH SOVIET EMBASSY, TO  
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ADVANCE PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT OF CHIEF JUSTICE'S TRIP.  
DEPT. WILL NOT COMMENT TO THE PRESS UNTIL THE ANNOUNCEMENT IS MADE. WE WILL CABLE YOU DRAFT ANNOUNCEMENT AS SOON AS IT IS READY.

5. THE MCGOVERN AMENDMENT IS NOW IN EFFECT, AND THE

DEPARTMENT'S PRESENT PLAN IS TO SEND THE TRADE UNION ACTION AND DEMOCRACY CASE (MOSCOW 11712) TO INS WITH A RECOMMENDATION THAT THE VISAS BE ISSUED PER THE MCGOVERN AMENDMENT. HOWEVER, INS HAS INFORMALLY INDICATED IT MAY NEED A FEW DAYS TO DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT TO GRANT THE WAIVERS. UE WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED.

6. RE CARTER, WE STRONGLY CONCUR THAT HE IS THE RIGHT CHOICE AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO DO OUR BEST TO GET HIM. BUT OUR FLOPPING AROUND RAISES FUR HERE. WE ARE BEING ASKED TO EXPLAIN THE HOUSING FACTOR WHICH REQUIRED US TO ABORT THE EFFORT TO GET HIM. PLEASE APPRECIATE THAT WE ARE DEALING WITH A CONSULAR ASSIGNMENT AND THAT A LANGUAGE-QUALIFIED OFFICER IN THE CONSULAR CONE WAS FOUND AND LINED UP. UNDER NO CONCEIVABLE CIRCUMSTANCES WOULD SMITH HAVE BEEN CONSIDERED, EXCEPT THE HARD FACT OF NO HOUSING. PER INTENDS TO RAISE THE ASSIGNMENT IN PANEL TOMORROW TO DETERMINE IF THERE WOULD BE A FURTHER STRUGGLE TO GET SCA TO RELEASE CARTER. WE HAVE SENT A STRONGLY WORDED MEMO ASKING FOR HIM AND NOTING YOUR NEED BEFORE MID-OCTOBER. VANCE

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